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NO NEWS.

Customs Stations And Mr. Lapsley.

KEEPING LOOK-OUT.

Case Not Opened Against Arrested Men.

The s.s. "Sunning," which has been lying at anchor off Taikuo dock since her arrival after the sensational incidents aboard, the relating of which has aroused such considerable interest, has now gone alongside the clock wall and a preliminary survey of the damage done has begun.

No further news has been received to throw light on the whereabouts of Mr. H. W. Lamley.

With the arrival in harbour of H.M.S. "Hermes," the last of the warships which were searching in the vicinity for any traces of the pirates has returned.

If Mr. Lapsley is alive and in the hands of the pirates further news may be received through district stations of the Maritime Customs. Upon inquiry the "China Mail" was informed that no news had yet been forthcoming from this source. In the event of any coming through it would immediately be circulated.

Police Court Delay.

Nine of the alleged pirates were brought this morning to the cells below the Magistracy and it was anticipated that they would be formally charged and remanded until next week when the Crown Solicitor will prosecute.

Owing to the absence of Mr. R. E. Lindwell (First Magistrate) they were not brought into Court and the "China Mail" learns that it has not yet been decided when the case against them will be opened.

Identification Parade.

Police officials at Central Police Station have been occupied all day in carrying out identification parades. The pirates, suspects and twenty-two coolies fetched in from the streets of the city presented a weird sight in an enclosed compound at Central Station.

A man who was thought to be an ordinary passenger, and who accompanied Inspector Fallon to the ship when passenger baggage was removed, has been identified by nearly everyone as one of the lads.

Of all the officers and passengers who have so far attended the identification parade, a Chinese woman passenger has proved the most successful, spotting the alleged pirates with little difficulty.

M.R. R. E. LINDSELL.

Owing to slight indisposition, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, First Police Magistrate, was unable to take his seat at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Major C. Wilson O.B.E., V.D., Second Magistrate, occupied the Bench in the First Magistrate's Court and dealt with the usual overnight charges. A number of cases which had been remanded by Mr. Lindsell and set down for hearing to-day, were again remanded by Major Wilson, who informed interested counsel that they would be advised when Mr. Lindsell would be able to take them.

TYPE METAL.

The composition of type metal was the subject of some discussion between Major C. Wilson and Det. Sgt. McEwen at the Central Magistracy this morning when a Chinese fok, employed by the "Wah Tze Yat Po," was charged with stealing a bar of the metal from his employers.

Sgt. McEwen informed the Bench that the defendant was found to have the metal concealed underneath his coat when arrested.

No previous conviction being recorded against the accused, His Worship sentenced him to fourteen days' hard labour.

TOWN SEIZED.

Serious Anti-Bolshevik Rising.

TSARIST OFFICERS HELPING?

Nineteen People Shot: Many Arrested.

Berlin, Nov. 18.—The newspaper "Rul" publishes the details of a serious anti-Bolshevik rising south of Pskoff.

It states that 500 persons have been arrested. Nineteen have gone alongside the clock wall and a preliminary survey of the damage done has begun.

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The centre of the revolt is apparently Baltinovo, 70 miles south of the Pskoff district. Baltinovo is said to be completely in the hands of the insurgents, who are dissatisfied with the disproportion between the agricultural and industrial prices.

Tsarist officers are possibly fermenting the rising. The Soviet has despatched troops to reinforce the Red forces in the district.—Reuter.

CALLED HOME.

RUMANIA'S QUEEN LEAVING AMERICA.

KING FERDINAND ILL.

New York, Nov. 18.—The Queen of Rumania has announced that owing to a cable received from Bucharest that the health of King Ferdinand is not good she has postponed her American tour and is going to New York to-night to sail for home by the first available steamer.—Reuter's American Service.

should make such surveys and communicate the results to the governments of the different parts of the Empire.

The Committee, while recognizing that much was already being done in the economic sphere in Britain, the Dominions and India through the medium of the publications of public departments as well as those of institutes and associations, agreed that it would be of advantage if arrangements could be made for the most systematic provision of condensed reports based upon information derived from various parts of the Empire concerned on trade questions regarded from the Empire point of view.

Fostering Trade.

When the matter came before the conference, two resolutions bearing on the subject were unanimously carried, on the motion of Mr. Mackenzie King, Premier of Canada, seconded by Mr. Bruce.

One expressed the conference's appreciation of the work of the Imperial Shipping Committee and Imperial Economic Committee.

The other was in the following terms:

"That the Imperial Economic Committee shall continue on the present ad hoc basis with the following general reference;

(1) to complete a series of investigations into the marketing of Empire foodstuffs in Britain, and while that work is proceeding;

(2) to put forward for the consideration of the various government concerned a list of raw materials for possible further marketing inquiries, and suggestions for the preparation and circulation of brief preliminary surveys, as suggested by the economic committee of the Conference in any branch of Empire trade and marketing.

Such preliminary surveys would, if the governments concerned so desired, be followed up by fuller inquiries."

An Empire Forestry Bureau.

Other reports approved included that of the Forestry Committee, which took favourable note of the recent development of effective organisation within the Empire as exemplified by the standing committee on Empire Forestry, the Imperial Forestry Institute and the Empire Forestry Association, and drew special attention to the need for co-operation in all lines of forest research.

The Conference accepted the committee's proposals that the important question of constituting an Empire Forestry Bureau should be referred to the Empire Forestry Conference in 1928.

This Conference is to be held in Australia and New Zealand, and the Prime Ministers of those countries declared that everything pos-

sible would be done, by them to facilitate the work.

The next meeting of the committee of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce will be held at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday.

The General Economic Sub-commission made a report upon the sub-

EMPIRE TRADE.

Imperial Conference Reports.

IMPORTANT PROPOSALS.

Stocktaking and Marketing Scheme.

Rugby, Nov. 18.—A full meeting of the Imperial Conference to-day approved a series of reports from the sub-committees, including that of the economic committee on the Australian Premier's proposal for surveys of Empire trade.

Mr. Bruce suggested that great values would accrue if some system of stock-taking were undertaken in the form of reports showing what the Empire was producing and buying, and he raised the question whether the Imperial Economic Committee, or some similar body,

Two hundred other prisoners have arrived at Pskoff from Ostroff, 30 miles southward.

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SATURDAY CARTOON.

In to-morrow's issue of the "China Mail" will be a cartoon by Stan Hill who has taken the Interport cricket match as his subject.

Some of the leading lights in the game are featured to advantage.

GOAL VOTE.

Chang Tso-lin's Reported Plans.

PLAYING FOR SAFETY.

White Russian Leader in Shanghai.

Shanghai, Nov. 19.—It is reported that during the recent discussions between Chang Tso-lin and Chang Tsung-chang, the latter stated that he would come south only if Sun Chuan-fang surrendered him the provinces of Kiangsu and Anhwei.

It is now stated that Fengtien troops are being despatched to Aking as it is very likely will be used as a base for an attack against the Southerners.

Sun Chuan-fang has not announced his attitude as regards the despatch of Fengtien troops to his province with Sun still making preparations for acceptance, although they did not actually vote.

The Conference of delegates will meet to-morrow when full figures of the vote will be announced.

There were 8,960 more men at work in the to-day, making a total of 366,000—British Wireless Service.

Belgium's Decision.

Brussels, Nov. 18.—

The Government proposes that China should define the points at issue with reference to the Sino-Belgian treaty with a view to referring them to the Hague Court.

If China does not accept this, Belgium will appeal to the Hague herself.—Reuter.

Borah Trounced.

New York, Nov. 19.—Strongly criticising Mr. Borah's references to China, cabled yesterday the "New York Times" says Mr. Borah thus demonstrates his character as the most malapropos public man of his time, and adds that his representing the foreign Powers in China as greedy exploiters in a gross trumpery of the actual situation.—Reuter's American Service.

Senator Borah, in the course of an address to Jewish women, said that the present turmoil in China furnished the acid test to the world peace programme. He was of the opinion that the real trouble in China was nationalism coming into contact with imperialism. "Any nation which adopted a policy of forcible intervention there would become an assassin of justice in the Orient."

It is anticipated that the Government will withdraw its offer. Meanwhile the representatives of the Notti coalowners and miners who have returned to work have settled the terms of the agreement under which operations will be continued at district rates. The agreement will operate for five years from Dec. 1.—Reuter.

A Way Out.

London, Nov. 18.—

In connection with the quandary in which the miners' leaders are placed by the districts' rejection of the Government's terms, it is pointed out that while the delegate conference to-morrow rejects the terms the Federation will probably leave the districts free to secure the best terms possible and make no further effort to obtain terms in London. The national leaders, however, are determined to make a final effort to save the Federation and prevent a debacle.

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TO-MORROW'S WEATHER FORECAST.

Till noon to-morrow the weather forecast for all local districts is: N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

At 11.30 this morning the Observatory reported: — Pressure has decreased moderately over central and N.E. Japan and over the Upper Yangtze Valley. It has increased slightly to moderate elsewhere.

Meteorological observation at 8 a.m. to-day—barometer 30.21; temperature 61; humidity 70; wind N; force 2; weather overcast.

object of immunity of State enterprises from taxation.

It pointed out that the British Government of any part of the Empire outside Great Britain should be liable to taxation in Great Britain in respect of trade questions.

Statements by representatives of the Dominions, India and the Colonies showed that they generally accepted the principle of mutual taxation of government trading within the Empire.

Whatever may be the result of the unrepresentative voting taken, it will be clear to the miners' headquarters that a secret ballot vote of all the miners would show a decision favouring discontinuance of the strike. Consequently, if the Delegates Conference is faced with rejection by the districts of its recommendation to accept the Government scheme that body will be placed in an extremely anomalous position.

Yesterday a further 8,400 men returned to work, the total of men in the pits, but these men were debarred from voting in the local lodge meetings, when decisions were taken by a show of hands. In one area containing 60,000 miners, where there are 40,000 working, the vote of the local association is against a settlement.

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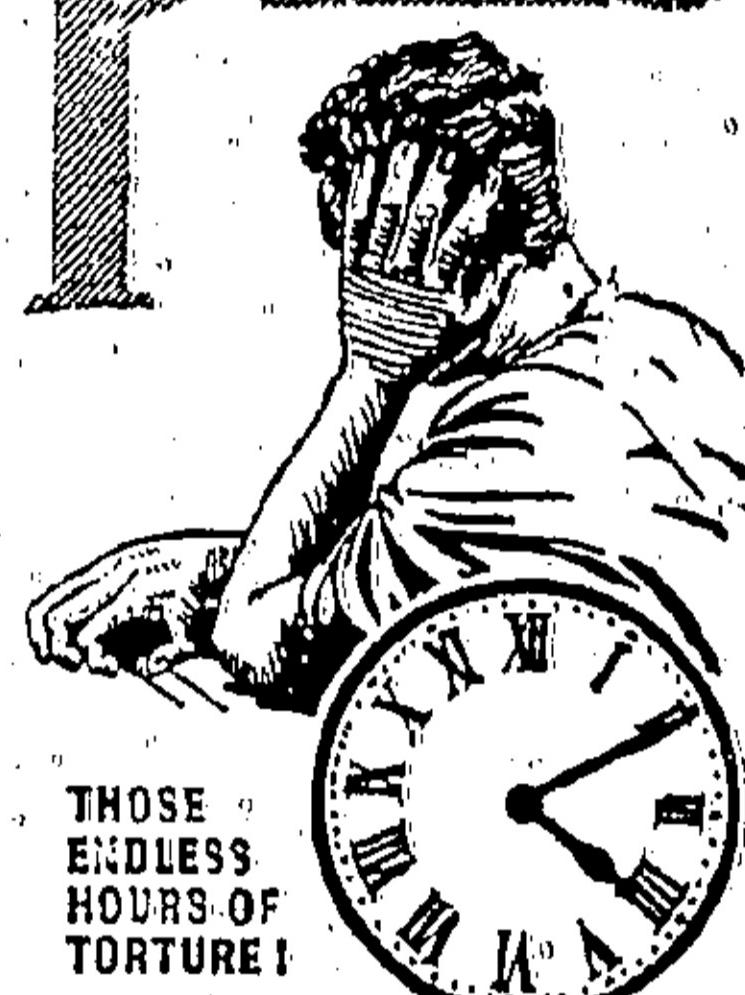
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V.D.A. "AT HOME."**INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS IN CHINA.****MEDICAL WORK.**

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C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 19th November, 1926.

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MEMBERS and guests are reminded that Practice Dances for St. Andrew's Ball will be held at the City Hall on TUESDAY, 23rd instant and FRIDAY, 26th instant, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Members who have not yet sent in their lists of guests are kindly requested to do so as soon as possible.

P. TODD,
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INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS IN CHINA.

The Bishop and Mrs. Duppy and thereafter they were provided with a sumptuous tea, the arrangements of which were in the capable hands of Mrs. G. D. R. Black and her helpers.

Considering the inclemency of the weather there was an excellent attendance. About 180 people were present, amongst whom were noted Lady Clementi, Mrs. W. T. Southorn, Lady Pollock, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Cresney, Mr. Lam Woo, Miss F. C. Woo, M.B.E., and many other well-known members of the V.D.A. belonging to the British and Chinese community.

At 5 o'clock the guests moved upstairs into the main room and the second half of the programme was begun.

Bishop's Address.

The Bishop opened the proceedings by saying:

First, I wish to thank you all for coming here in spite of the bad weather this afternoon; secondly I want to thank a good many of you for one thing or another. I want to thank Mrs. Black and the ladies who have become the National Industrial Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. with Headquarters at Shanghai. She is now acting General Secretary for the Y.M.C.A. in Hong Kong. We shall listen to Miss Shin with the utmost interest. (Applause.)

Miss Shin, who gave a sound, practical common-sense speech and who possesses a wonderful mastery of the English language, so that it was a keen pleasure to listen to her said that:

My Lord Bishop, Ladies and Gentlemen:—It is a great honour and privilege that I have been asked this afternoon to speak on Industrial Conditions in China. China as you all know is an Agricultural Country for about 80 per cent. of her population is rural. She has tremendous latent industrial resources, and her industrial revolution can be said to be just beginning. Now during the last 20 or 30 years the modern industrial factory system has been developing very rapidly. Modern factories have been springing up all over China especially in cities like Shanghai, Hankow, Chefoo, Canton, and other places, where there is rail-road or other transportation. The factory system has attracted a large number of people from the farms to the industrial centres. You, who understand how difficult it was for the workers in Europe, a hundred years ago, to adjust themselves to the introduction of machinery will be able to understand the difficulties of adjustments to-day in China. Industry can be made a blessing to any country if it is run in the proper way, but I am not sure that industry has been of service to mankind in China, because it has brought with it many of the industrial evils that were found in the West about 80 years ago. The working hours are ten, twelve or even fourteen hours a day. In the cotton mills they work 12 hours on day shift and 14 hours on night shift. They cannot have longer than 12 hours each shift as there are only 24

hours a day, but in some places they work 13 and 14 hours on end. I remember a few years ago some inland cities asking what should be the minimum hours for working and one woman said in reply that surely 12 hours was not too great a demand in her city people worked 14 hours.

(3) A third reason for which the V.D.A. exists is to promote prayer for the diocese. It is hoped to have once a quarter a little gathering of members especially for prayer.

Finally we hope that this meeting will have very many and big results and that fresh members will be found for the V.D.A. The membership fee is \$2 and Life Membership \$50.

After our meeting in April last 24 people joined and I hope that this meeting will be the beginning of a great advance in V.D.A. matters here.

The girls from the Blind Home then gave their first song on the programme which was well rendered and was a wonderful illustration of what is being done for the care and interest that is being taken in these girls at the Blind Home.

Industrial Conditions in China. The Bishop in introducing Miss Shin said:

This is not the first time that Miss Shin has spoken at a V.D.A. gathering. Three years ago she spoke at a V.D.A. Reunion in London. Miss Shin was educated at Bellios School and, for seven years served on the Staff. Then

she went to London and entered the London School of Economics specialising in Industrial welfare. After returning to China she prepared the tea, and also I want to thank the Committee of the Helena May for allowing us the use of the Institute.

I have two things to deal with in my introductory remarks—first I have to explain to you the idea of this "At Home". Some of you remember that last April we had an "At Home" to illustrate educational work in the diocese, and we had a most interesting gathering then. To-day, this "At Home" is intended to illustrate social and medical work.

We have first of all to have the girls the Blind Home singing and the presence of these girls illustrates a social need and also the way in which a very great need can be met. This afternoon we are to have three speakers, all experts in their own line. Miss Shin, on "Industrial Conditions in China," Miss E. G. George on "Country and Rescue Work" and Dr. Arthur Woo" on the opportunity for Medical Work in China."

The subjects which are to be dealt with are very interesting and of very far-reaching importance.

Secondly, I have to explain to you about the V.D.A. I want to describe it under 3 headings: (1) it aims to band together all people who are interested in the work of the diocese. It was founded 6½ years ago, when I became Bishop of Victoria. In England we have a membership of a thousand, here we have a membership of 236. At Home—that is to say in England—the V.D.C. is a force backing up this Diocese. Out here I hope that the V.D.A. is going to become a greater force. I hope the membership of 236 will soon increase to 300, and that it will continue to increase more and more. In particular I hope we shall have a large number of Chinese members. We are to have "next" Sunday, a special V.D.A. Sunday. In all the Churches services of a particular character will be held and short bi-lingual services for young people, in the Cathedral and St. Andrew's have been arranged for the afternoon. Collections at the Cathedral are to be devoted to the erection of a new Chinese Church at Yaumati. In the Chinese Churches the collections will be devoted to a Pensions Fund for Chinese workers, which is being inaugurated. I hope to see very large attendance at these services. Another illustration of the V.D.A. as a bond of union is the forthcoming visit of the Bishop of London. On December 28 he will be present at the reception to be organised by the V.D.A. That reception will be held at the City Hall. H.E. the Governor and Lady Clementi have consented to be present. This is the first time that a Bishop of London has been in Hong Kong and I hope Church people will be present in full force to welcome him. The Bishop of London will be speaking to the V.D.A. here in December and in June he has kindly consented to preside at the Annual Reunion in London.

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hours a day, but in some places they work 13 and 14 hours on end. I remember a few years ago some inland cities asking what should be the minimum hours for working and one woman said in reply that surely 12 hours was not too great a demand in her city people worked 14 hours.

The lunch hour varies from ½ hour to 1 hour but in some places machinery goes on working through all the normal meal-times of the workers, with one or two exceptions.

No time is given off to married women before or after childbirth. Some factories work seven days a week throughout the year. Some of the factories in China just stop work 10 or 15 days to repair and clean the machinery. If one goes to many factories one finds that the machines are unprotected and have no safeguards at all. This has been the cause of many bad accidents.

If you go into a cotton factory you will find the air is full of cotton and dust and you see the people covered with dust. Very little has been done to remedy this. If you go to a silk factory you will find the air is full of moisture and impure and that is very bad for health. It is needless to say that the sanitary arrangements, cleanliness and ventilation leave very much to be desired.

There is no rest-room, no cloakroom nor dining-room, such rooms as are found in London. Those who cannot get home on account of distance have to take their meals in the court-yard or in the street.

The Wage Question.

The wages are low and we have no minimum scale of living to work out. The child's tiny wages are needed to supplement the family income which is barely adequate for mere existence. And then worst of all is the child labour. You will find children of 6 or 8, or a little older, working in the silk factories—rows and rows of them, fraying cocoons which are put into steaming hot water, while their little hands become scalded and injured frequently by having to dip the cocoons into the hot water. In cotton mills children are employed at spindles, joining threads and they work 12 hours; sometimes they have to do night work too. It is encouraging to know that some two or three big firms, notably Jardine, Matheson have set up a high standard for the employment of child-labour. No children under 12 are employed and I sincerely trust that other factories will follow the same example.

I have visited several factories in Hong Kong and I found no child labour, as they are not allowed to employ children under the age of 12. This was done before the Shanghai firms took the same steps. (Applause.) We hope it will be copied by many other firms who are public-spirited ed.

Country and Rescue Work.

The Bishop then introduced Miss George who he said he worked first in Pakhoi doing evangelistic work among leper women and in the villages, and later in Canton at the Women's Bible School at which women workers are trained. Miss George had spent twenty-five years in China and would speak from a wife experience.

If Miss Shin showed how one could help people to have more care for their children and for the safeguarding of their health and betterment of conditions generally by many little pathetic and inspiring stories how help could be given them in order to rescue their souls from their three dread enemies—Darkness, Demons and Death.

Miss George said this could only be done by patience and perseverance and by showing them that before her and love of Christ would change their whole outlook upon life. She quoted many instances in which she had been able to clear away superstition and dread from the minds of many of the Chinese villagers where she had spent many years of her life. She said she had often been the only European person in a village and had always been well treated and cared for because the people trusted her and knew she loved them as they eventually grew to love her.

She ended what was really a very interesting chat about the villagers generally and their quaint superstitions by appealing to the audience as to whether it was worth while to spend so many years on one's life in the fighting against these three "D's"—Darkness, Demons and Death, in order to bring the light of Christ's Gospel into the Chinese hearts and lives. The question she answered herself, "Yes, it is worth while every time if only in order to fulfil Christ's injunction to His disciples—'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel.'

The Girls from the Blind Home gave another song which was much appreciated.

The Opportunity for Medical Work in China.

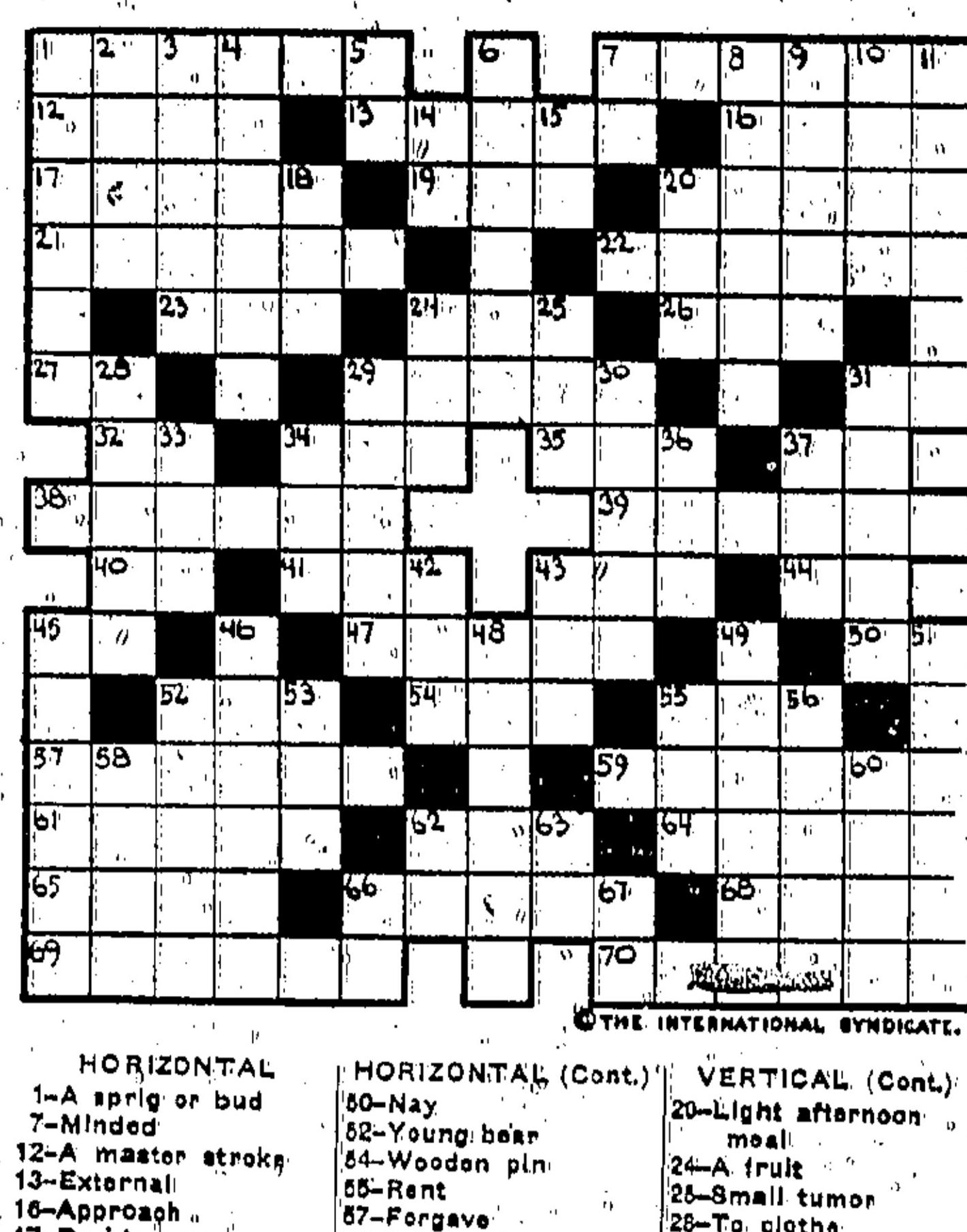
The Bishop then introduced Dr. Arthur Woo and explained that he was the first Chinese gentleman to

have a dispensary in the city of Shanghai.

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OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



(THE INTERNATIONAL SYNDICATE.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 1-A spring or bud
- 7-Minded
- 12-A master stroke
- 13-External
- 14-Approach
- 17-Residence
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DURBAN, DE GOA BAY, BRIRIA, HAR-ES-SALAMA, ZANZIBAR AND MOGABUA	Via Singapore and Colombo.
MEXICO MARU	Wednesday, 22nd December.
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SANUKI MARU	Thursday, 26th November.
BANGKOK	Via Siam.
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HAMBURG MARU	(From Shanghai) End of November.
JAPAN LINERS	
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BINGO MARU	Tuesday, 23rd November.
KIELUNG	Via SWATOW & AMOY.
KYODO MARU	Sunday, 21st November, 10 a.m.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 28th Nov., 10 a.m.
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KOTSI MARU	Friday, 10th Nov., 8 a.m.
EAKAII	KEELUNG.
KOHOKU MARU	Tuesday, 23rd November.
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SHIPPING NOTES.

VESSELS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

LATEST INFORMATION.

A day before she was expected, the Japanese steamer "Tango Maru" arrived yesterday from Australia and Manila. She brought 9 first-cabin passengers, 147 tons of general cargo and 45 bags of mail from Australia and Manila. The "Tango" left this morning for Nagasaki.

Six hours behind her schedule, the Dollar liner "President Pierce" arrived to-day at noon from Manila with passengers, cargo and mail. She will sail for San Francisco, via Shanghai and Japan on Sunday morning.

From Japan and Shanghai, the Japanese steamer "Katori Maru" is expected to arrive here tomorrow. She will sail for Marseilles via Singapore on Sunday afternoon, with passengers, cargo and mail. The "Katori" will take the last Christmas mail for the United Kingdom.

En route to San Francisco, the Dollar freighter "Stanley Dollar" arrived here yesterday from San Francisco and Manila. She brought 1,150 tons of gasoline for discharge here and 5 bags of mail. The "Stanley Dollar" will sail after discharging cargo here.

The China Navigation steamer "Suiyang," after loading here left yesterday for Canton.

The master of the Chinese s.s. "Hwa Cheng" reports having picked up 3 Chinese from a capsized "junk" on her way to Hong Kong from Saigon. She brought no cargo for discharge here. She will load here and sail for Shanghai.

With 207 bags of mail from Shanghai, for discharge here, the s.s. "Wray Castle" arrived here yesterday afternoon from Shangha. Messrs. Dodwell & Co. will despatch her for New York and Boston via Suez this afternoon after loading.

The German steamer "Emil Kirdorf" will be despatched to-morrow from here for Antwerp and Rotterdam via Manila, Colombo and Suez, with passengers, cargo and mail. She is expected to arrive here this afternoon from Singapore.

NEWRY'S LOSS.

It was reported at Newry Harbour Board that the tonnage for the past six months decreased by 47,700 tons, including a reduction of 8,848 tons caused by the stoppage of the Dundalk and Newry Steamship Co. The bulk of the decrease was due to absence of coal arrivals. There was a decrease in tonnage of 23,291.

The expenditure was £4,547 and the receipts £2,714, deficit of £1,833. For the corresponding period last year there was a credit of £1,712. During the past six months £200 was spent on the dredger. The receipts for September were only £341.

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LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hong Kong were reported:-

Taikeo Wan Yi (1876) Bri. from Balikpapan; B. & S.

Kanchow (1222) Bri. from Shanghai and Amoy; B. & S.

Taikeo (183) Bri. from Sea; Taikeo Dock.

Wray Castle (3833) Bri. from Shanghai; Dowell & Co.

Glenara (4123) Bri. from Rotterdam and Singapore; J. M. & Co.

Sylvan Arrow (4858) American, from New York and Calcutta; Standard Oil.

Tingal (1244) Norwegian, from Canton; Hidoka Co.

Tanyo Maru (4238) Jap. from Melbourne & Manila; N.Y.K.

Stanley Dollar (3742) American, from San Francisco and Manila; Dollar Line.

Departures.

For Batavia: Tjiaroeda.

For Samarinda: Escondido.

For San Pedro: Sylvan Arrow.

For Hongkay: Harunasan Maru.

For Canton: Hainan; Suiyang.

For Swatow: Von Cloon; Sung-

shan Maru.

For Manila: Mausang; Kotsu-

Maru.

For Sandakan: Lok Sun.

For Shanghai: Tjiisondari.

For Miri: Hermes.

Clearances.

For Hoitow: Minggang.

For Phrahan: Phrahan.

For Nagasaki: Tanyo Maru.

For Moji: Sumatra Maru.

SWEDEN'S LARGEST SHIPYARD.

The importance of Gothenburg as a seaport is shown by the fact that the tonnage of vessels entered and cleared is larger than that of any other Swedish port, and this predominance is tending to increase. Moreover, some 40 per cent. of the engine-propelled mercantile marine of Sweden is owned in Gothenburg. It is, therefore, not surprising that A.B. Gotaverken, the largest shipyard in Sweden, is situated in Gothenburg. The company was formed in 1906, and since 1921 have specialised in the building of motor vessels, the last steamship having been finished in that year. The motors are made to the designs of Messrs. Burmeister and Wain, the Swedish rights for which were acquired by the company in 1915. Up to the present time 14 motor cargo vessels, with an aggregate dead-weight capacity of 113,700 tons, have been built. Eight motor vessels, having a total deadweight capacity of 70,100 tons, have been delivered to the Grangesberg Company for use in the transport of ore. Oil tankers, to the number

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DEVANHA	8,155	25th Nov.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KARMAKA	9,128	25th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DELTA	8,097	9th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MACEDONIA	11,089	11th Dec.	Marseilles and London
NELLORE	8,853	23rd Dec.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	26th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MURSAPORE	8,715	28th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Hamburg & Rotterdam
NYANZA	7,623	6th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,391	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DIVYANHA	8,155	28th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,318	5th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	8,097	18th Feb.	Marseilles and London
KASHMIR	9,006	19th Feb.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NELLORE	8,853	3rd March	Marseilles and London
MANTUA	10,392	5th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KASHGAR	9,006	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam
NYANZA	7,623	15th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MONGOLIA	16,501	19th March	Marseilles and London
MACEDONIA	11,220	2nd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DIVYANHA	8,855	9th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMAKA	9,128	16th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	8,097	25th April	Marseilles and London
MALWA	10,391	30th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	5th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,392	28th May	Marseilles and London

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TILAWA	10,000	29th Nov.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALAMBA	8,018	3rd Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	10th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
SHIRALA	7,841	24th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKIWA	7,936	2nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	8,049	8th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

TANDA	8,056	2nd Dec.	
ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Dec.	
ARAFURA	8,000	28th Jan.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & Melbourne.
TANDA	8,066	4th March	
ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st April	
ARAFURA	8,000	20th April	Regular monthly sailings from Hongkong to Japan and Hongkong to Australia.

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The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

KHIVA	9,135	22nd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,080	4pm.	Shanghai only
TALMA	10,000	27th Nov.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
SHIRALA	7,841	6th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
ST. ALBANS	4,500	7th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
MALWA	10,041	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,623	11th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KASHMIR	8,865	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAKIWA	7,936	13th Dec.	Kobe
TAKADA	8,349	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KALYAN	9,114	24th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
ARAFURA	6,000	4th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MORSAPORE	10,918	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DEVANHA	8,155	8th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KASHGAR	9,006	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
DELTA	8,097	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MALWA	10,042	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLORE	8,865	6th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TANDA	8,665	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,623	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,220	4th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	8,056	5th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KARMAKA	9,128	13th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MALWA	10,392	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	8,097	1st April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
ARAFURA	8,000	6th April	

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EXPERIMENTS IN UNITED STATES.

USE ON SHIPBOARD.

Attention is again being concentrated in the United States on the possibilities of pulverised coal as a fuel for use in ship propulsion, this being the result of the warning issued by the Oil Conservation Committee in reporting on the imminent shortage of oil supplies, says the "Journal of Commerce."

Tests of the new fuel were started a short time ago at the League Island Navy Yard, Philadelphia, with Fuller-Lehigh furnaces of the well type, under supervision of the fuel conservation committee of the Shipping Board, the Bureau of Mines, and the Navy Department.

These tests, however (state New York advices), have been discontinued temporarily on account of lack of co-operation between the Government departments interested. Little progress has been made, however, to indicate ultimate success of the experiments. Two other types of burners are still to be tried. Scotch marine boilers have been used in the tests, as most of the merchant ships of the world are equipped with this type of boiler.

"Little Headway in Europe." Captain Charles A. McAlister, chairman of the fuel conservation committee of the Shipping Board, during his recent visit to Europe, made inquiries as to the progress made in the use of pulverised coal, especially in England, and discovered that comparatively little headway had been made, although some private tests had been conducted, mostly with land installations. Speaking of the League Island tests, he said:—

"These tests represented the first attempt to burn pulverised coal under Scotch marine boilers, and judging by the results thus far attained, I have no doubt of the success of the tests. In the present condition of the oil industry in the United States it is an economic crime to burn oil under boilers for generating steam, because it can be used to much better advantage in internal-combustion engines.

"Use of pulverised coal, however, promises still greater economy than the Diesel engine. Recent improvements have made it possible to use horizontal burners for pulverised coal instead of the old vertical types. For the best results in the use of pulverised coal on shipboard it is necessary that the powdered coal burner should be developed to the same extent as the marine oil burner, and it is hoped that some of the types of burner to be tested will give the desired results.

Five Years Hence.

"An idea of the tremendous amount of fuel oil used for raising steam on shipboard may be derived from the fact that Shipping Board vessels burned a total of 10,700,000 barrels of fuel oil in 1925. The "Leviathan" alone takes on 9,000 tons of oil at New York for each trip and 4,000 tons more on the other side to fill out the 13,000 tons required for the round trip. All of the big British liners also take on most of their oil on this side.

"The British have been carefully safeguarding and extending their oil resources while we have been using up ours. While abroad I discussed the oil situation with a British shipping man, who predicted that within five years the United States will be buying oil from Great Britain."

BOOKS AND SAILORS.

The extraordinary way in which sailors have grown fond of books is shown in the just issued record of the Seafarers' Education Service, which has completed six years' very useful work. Nowadays sailors apparently have plenty of leisure time to read and ponder the great works of literature. One member of a tanker's crew on a recent group of voyages, over nine months, borrowed 35 books, varying from abstruse scientific works to modern frothy novels. He was obviously reading too fast, and must have suffered from mental indigestion. A fireman on the same ship read 23 books, including Dr. Johnson and McDougal's "Psychology." The promoters of this great service of "books at sea" are wise enough to differentiate between "borrowing" and "reading." All the books are "borrowed" from the libraries they say. I wonder how many are "read"?

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. L. s.s. "Bendoran" from Leith, Middlesex, Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here tomorrow.

The P. & O. s.s. "Khiva" left Singapore for this port on November 16 at 4 p.m. and is due here on November 22, about 8 a.m.

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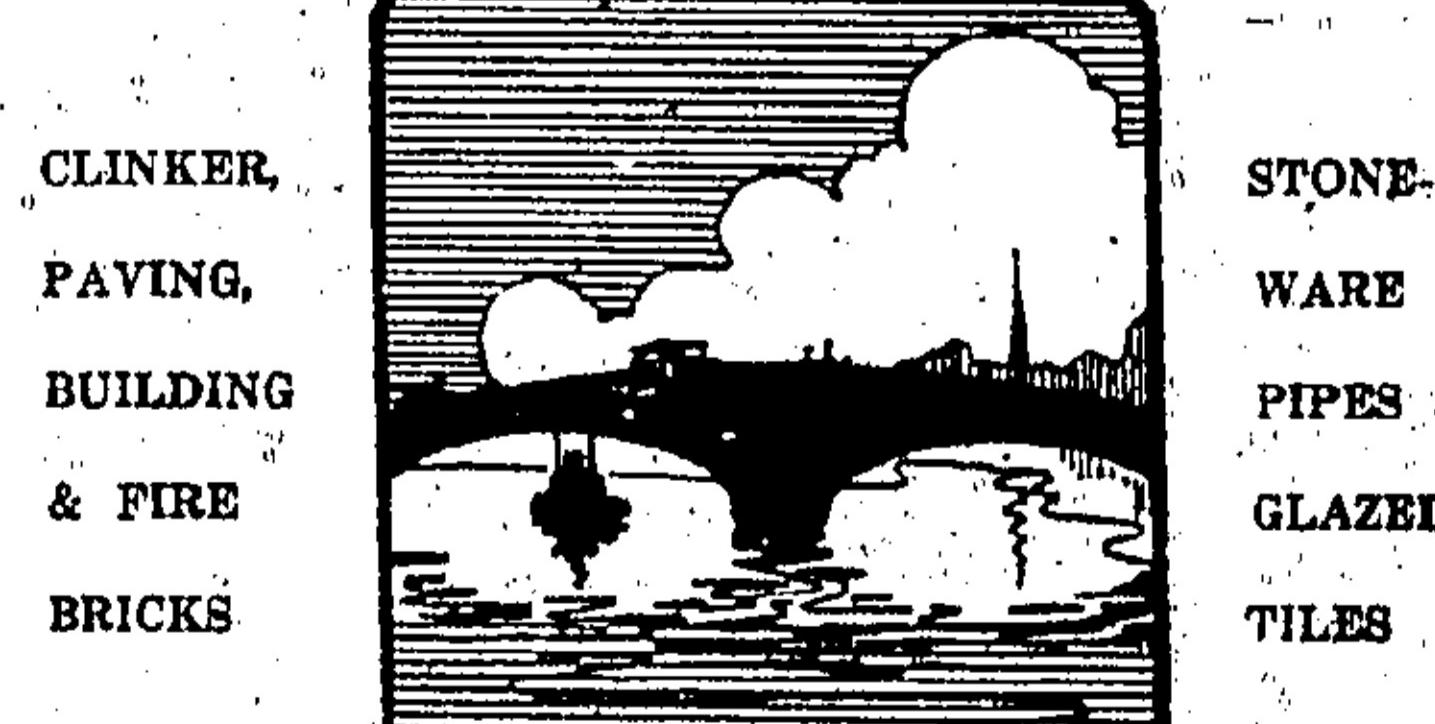
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countered, fought, and defeated. We are told, for instance, that the interior of Java is seriously infested by numbers of Communists, who have swarmed into the sugar estate areas for the purpose of inciting disturbances, and that the Governor has permitted the staffs of twenty estates to be armed. This appears to be a case of being wise after the event. The Communist menace has hung over Java and Sumatra long enough to force the authorities to institute drastic measures long ago now. By permitting the country to be "red-anted" by Communists, they appear to the detached outsider to have miscalculated the Bolsheviks' power of mischief. Nevertheless the sympathy of all civilised countries and colonies will range itself on the side of the Government of the Dutch East Indies, coupled with the hope that the Communists will speedily be rooted out and made to realise that Java is too hot for them.

MUSIC.

**MR. A. M. BOWES-SMITH IN
CHOPIN RECITAL**

DISTINCT ARTISTIC SUCCESS.

When first I heard Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith in Shanghai some years ago, I was genuinely amazed to find so excellent a pianist off the beaten track. For in those days, I must explain, Shanghai seemed to be the most unmusical place in creation. I know better now. And when I learnt that my pianist was an Englishman, why, I felt rather proud of the fact.

I am still amazed when I hear Mr. Bowes-Smith play in public, not so much on account of the improvement he continues to show, but at the fact that a busy man of commerce, with little spare time at his disposal and small opportunity for the cult of music, should still find it possible to attain, and retain too, so fine a degree of excellence.

Since his last appearance he has broadened considerably and become more sympathetic, and his playing more virile and musically.

At least, so it seemed yesterday afternoon during the recital at the Helena May Institute. In fact, he has so far left the amateur behind as to warrant the compliment of vigorous criticism. The programme was well and carefully chosen. The Preludes, I think, deserve special mention, for Mr. Bowes-Smith seemed to have accurately caught the spirit of the widely different moods expressed in these exquisite little poems. Both the Mazurka in sharp minor and the Valse in C sharp minor—much maligned pieces in that they are usually banged to death by all would-be virtuosos—had just the right touch of restraint one welcomes with Chopin. The Scherzo in B flat minor was a regular tour de force. In this and the Ballade in G minor Mr. Bowes-Smith was able to prove himself no mean master of the technical difficulties with which these two works abound. And in mentioning the difficulties of technique, a word of praise is due also for the Etude in E minor which veritably bristles with them, and in this case to be overcome with ease.

On the whole, the recital was a distinct artistic success. If one offers a little friendly criticism at all, it is to suggest that Mr. Bowes-Smith occasionally hurries his playing. If he would cultivate a more leisurely style and wrap himself entirely in his music to the exclusion of all exterior considerations, he would benefit immensely. Otherwise, many congratulations.

HLW.

CHURCH PARADE.

SCOTTISH COMPANY ARRANGEMENTS.

The annual church parade of the Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., will take place at Union Church on Sunday, November 28 (the Sunday nearest to St. Andrew's Day).

The "China Mail" is informed that arrangements have been made for photographs to be taken of the Company as well as of individual platoons. The Chieftain of the St. Andrew's Society (Mr. R. M. Dyer) will be present.

It is expected that all members of the Company, including reserves, will be on parade, the Company falling in at Corps Headquarters and marching thence to the church. The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonalde will officiate at the service.

"SPEAK THE TRUTH."

"I was taking it to a relative; I was not selling it," said a Chinese woman to Major C. Wilson, at the Central Magistracy this morning when charged with hawking honey without a licence.

Defendant further informed the Magistrate that the constable demanded \$5 which she refused to pay.

"I don't believe your story at all," reported the Magistrate.

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H.K.V.D.C.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.

CAMP AND STRENGTH.

Extracts from Volunteer orders issued to-day read:—

Artillery Co.

City and Taikoo Sections will parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday.

Transport for Taikoo Section will parade at Taikoo at 5 p.m.

Engineer Co.

Signal Section will parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday and Thursday.

Field Sections will parade at Wellington Barracks at 5.30 p.m. on Monday.

Lights Section will parade at Wellington Barracks at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday.

Annual Camp.

The Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies will attend camp during the week-end December 3 to 5.

Attendance in camp is a condition for efficiency. It is hoped that members will be able to get out by the evening trains on Friday, December 3. For Saturday to count as a full day's training, members must arrive before 8 a.m. on Saturday, December 4.

O.C. M.I. and A.G. Companies will report to Headquarters before 9 a.m. on Wednesday, December 1, the number of members attending camp, so that rations can be arranged.

Time Table for Trains.

From Kowloon to Fanling:—
5.29 p.m.: 7.21 p.m. Friday evening.

6.40 a.m.: Saturday morning.
From Fanling to Kowloon:—
5.20 p.m.: Sunday evening.

7.31 a.m.: Monday morning.

Railway Warrants. Arrangements are being made with the Railway Company to issue Second Class Return Tickets to Fanling for Other Ranks.

The Senior N.C.O. or men present will be responsible that the names are ticked off on the list at the Booking Office as the tickets are issued.

Baggage. Members wishing to have their baggage sent to the Camp at Fanling must deliver it, clearly labelled with owners' names at Corps Headquarters by 9.30 p.m. on Friday, November 19. Rifles and bayonets are not on any account to be left in camp during mid-week.

Bedding. Bedding will be drawn from the Store Tent by members sleeping in camp and returned before members leave on the Sunday evening or Monday morning.

Arms. Rifles and Bayonets may be drawn from Corps Headquarters between the following hours:—
9 a.m. to 12 noon; 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.; 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, November 29 from Thursday, December 2 and on Friday, December 3 between 9 a.m. and 12 noon only.

Dress. Marching Order, i.e. Helmets, rifles, bayonets, belts, bandoliers, haversacks, waterbottles, Greatcoats may be sent out with baggage. All Mobile Section will wear breeches.

Infantry Co.

The Company will go into Camp at Fanling to-day. Attendance is a condition for efficiency.

All members are requested to make an effort to parade at Kowloon Railway Station at 5 p.m. to catch the 5.29 p.m. train.

Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons will parade at Kennedy Road range on Tuesday at 5.30 p.m.

Armoured Car.

Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday.

Scottish Co.

Tuesday at 5.15 p.m.:—
No. 5 Platoon at Taikoo Dock.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Docks.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters.

Sunday, November 28:—
All members of Scottish Company, including Reserves and Band, will parade at Headquarters at 10 a.m. for annual Church Parade.

HLW.

Strength.

The following recruit is taken on the strength and posted to the Mounted Infantry Co.:—Pte. A. E. McCartney.

Transfer.

Pte. M. G. O'Connor is transferred from No. 1 Platoon to No. 2 Platoon.

Resignation.

Gunner L. A. R. Duncan is permitted to resign.

Leave.

Pte. J. W. Blackley is granted leave from November 1 to December 10.

EASES RHEUMATIC PAINS.

A STIFF neck is soon eased and rheumatic pains in arms and shoulders disappear when Chamberlain's Pain-Balm is rubbed on the aching spot. It feels good to the skin, penetrates quickly to the very seat of pain, softening the congestion, relieving the pressure and the pain is gone.

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THE RAGMAN.

JACKIE COOGAN AT THE QUEENS'

Jackie Coogan's new picture at the Queen's Theatre will delight the many admirers of that clever child actor. "The Ragman" is the story of an orphan boy's adventures as the partner of a junk shop keeper, who is really a cheated inventor. How Jackie induces the swindling lawyer to pay over the proceeds of the stolen invention is only one of many little touching incidents contrasted with as many more highly diverting situations. "The Ragman" is a picture which both youngsters and grown-ups can enjoy, and the latter will find "it great fun" taking the former to the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

FOR CHARITY.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL REPORT.

ACTIVITIES REVIEWED.

For the annual "al fresco fete" of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Hong Kong on December 5, the Council has issued the statement of accounts for the year 1925 in which the expenditure (\$23,099.82), including a deficit of \$5,600.68 on December 31, 1924, exceeded the receipts by \$729.38.

Extracts from the Council's report on the work of the first nine months this year are:

The Council wishes to express its grateful thanks to the public of Hong Kong, who, in spite of the conditions then prevailing, responded as generously as they could to the Society's two annual appeals—Our Poor Day Sale of Roses and the Al Fresco Fete.

The Council desires to record here its sincere and heartfelt regret at the death of Sir Paul Chater and Mr. Ho Fook. Both these public benefactors had been regular contributors towards the Society's Bazaar Fund for a number of years.

The net proceeds last year was \$14,849.33 as against \$20,626.23 in 1924.

In consequence of the large decrease in the revenue the Society has been obliged to curtail considerably its activities during the year.

Whereas to provide relief to urgent cases, and to meet a higher rent for the Home for Aged Poor, disbursements were increased.

The Society is gratefully indebted to Mr. C. A. da Rosa, A.S.A.A. for settling the accounts.

Relief in Money & Provisions.

During the nine months, January to September, 1,282 visits were made to the Poor in their homes, and 37 families comprising 208 persons, irrespective of race or creed, have been regularly relieved.

Owing to the smaller revenue the Council regrettably state that it has been necessary to reduce the allowances in many cases and to suspend several others.

The expenditure for the first 9 months of this year was \$5,504.00 as against \$6,308. for the same period in 1925.

Housing Accommodation.

The Council feels very gratified to report that owing to a large number of flats happening to be vacant, cheaper housing accommodation has been available and there was less assistance sought for from the Society under this heading during the year.

The expenditure for the 9 months, January to September 1926, was \$6,961.10.

However, on account of dull trade and retrenchment in many business establishments the Society had to come forward, on several occasions, to the assistance of some poor families in their plight against constraint-for-rent, and the sum of \$146 was spent to relieve such cases. A grant was also made to enable a poor family to remove from Hong Kong to cheaper premises in Kowloon.

Clothing and Shoes.

Besides providing these articles for the children of the Poor, so as to enable them to attend school, the Society also spent during 1925, \$370.42 for blankets and woollen suit lengths, and a special grant of \$88 for clothing and umbrellas was made to the orphans at the Blind Home in Shaukiwan. These items are accounted for under "special grants."

Relief to Europeans, &c.

In consequence of the general trade depression the Society had during the year to deal with a larger number of applicants under the above heading.

Among them there were many who were entire strangers, and it has been difficult for the Society to investigate by itself the merits of such cases.

In a few instances the Council has had the pleasure in co-operating with the Hong Kong Benevolent Society in attending to some cases that have come forward to the notice of both, in assisting in the necessary inquiries into those cases and in rendering relief.

The Society therefore welcomes the scheme put forward by the Captain Superintendent of Police for the establishment of a Central Reference Office to be financed by the Government and the various charitable Societies to which all such persons needing assistance should be directed. The scheme will not only prevent over-lapping but assist very much the work of investigation, and it is hoped that it will soon be in a proper working order.

The expenditure under this heading was \$588.42 in 1925, while for the first nine months of this year assistance to the extent of \$425.65 had already been given. This included 6 passages to Shanghai, 1 to Tientsin, 1 to Mexico and a grant of \$200 was made to the Hong Kong Benevolent Society in co-operating with them in the relief of a distressed family returning to England.

The Society is grateful to some of the shipping companies for reduction in their fares.

Education for Poor Children.
The Society has always been deeply concerned in the provision of education for the children of the Poor.

The Education Sub-Committee organised last year to look after the moral and intellectual improvement of the students, and to provide them with clothes, shoes, books, stationery, etc., when required, have been working very successfully.

One boy and one girl have passed the local University Examinations with distinction.

Beside providing education for 146 children, of whom 68 are receiving an English education, the Society is also maintaining 5 destitute orphan girls at the Italian Convent, Caine Road; and 3 boys at the St. Joseph's Seminary, Macao. The Council is grateful to these schools for reduced fees.

The Society's expenditure on account of the Kai Lap (boys' vernacular) School during the nine months was \$938.

The total expenditure for Education for the year was \$4,097.32.

Employment Bureau.

The object of the Bureau is to find suitable employment for poor boys and girls on leaving school, and also to assist others who may be out of employment by bringing to their notice particulars of any vacancies.

St. Joseph's Home.

Under the devoted care of the Little Sisters of the Poor, 75 old people (18 men & 57 women) are now domiciled in the above Home.

The amount expended by the Society in 1925 for the rent of the present premises and incidental charges, such as telephone and light was \$2,784.85, and for the first nine months in 1926, \$1,556.70.

Thanks to the extreme generosity on the part of a large number of contributors, and with the aid of the Society, and a grant of \$20,000 from the Government in substitu-

CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Residents should remember that the Homeward bound Christmas Mail closes to-morrow at 5 p.m. for letters.

This will be carried by the "Katori Maru" due in London (via Marseilles) on December 21.

The Post Office strongly recommends posting as early as possible to avoid congestion.

tion for the grant of land at Kowloon City, originally offered to the Sisters as a site for a Home, the Little Sisters have been able to buy a property at Ngau-shi-wan, outside Kowloon City, for a permanent Home for the Aged.

The Council wished to record here on behalf of the Little Sisters their deepest sense of appreciation to Dr. Smallie, Dr. Peihilly and Dr. Ip Kam-wah for their honorary medical treatment of the Aged Poor and the Sisters.

Acknowledgments.

For contributions towards the Society's Funds during 1926.—The Colonial Government, annual grant \$500 (March 1926). Hong Kong Football Association \$100.

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UNREST IN ROME.

FASCIST CONTINUE ATTACKS ON OPPOSITION.

ENGLISHWOMAN MISTREATED.

Rome, November 4.—The Opposition newspapers are still suppressed, and all Opposition journalists have been expelled from the rooms of the Italian Press Association.

Assaults on members of the Opposition are numerous.—Wireless.

Berlin, November 4.—The British Press gives exceptional prominence to the mis-treatment of the English woman arrested near Fiume, who was incarcerated and only released on a high ball by the Fascists. The incident is also widely quoted in the French press, which evinces a threatening attitude towards Italy.

Rome, November 4.—The "Tri-buna" learns that the most important matter for discussion at the Grand Council session are: (1) Making retrospective the death penalty Decree against perpetrators of attacks on Mussolini; (2) Dissolution of all Opposition Parties; (3) Suppression of all Opposition newspapers; (4) A house-cleaning within the ranks of the Party; (5) Organisation of Fascist Police.

The enemies of Fascism throughout Italy had a foretaste of what they may expect should another attempt be made on the life of Mussolini, when the Fascist Militia were mobilised immediately following the Bologna attack. Complete details of what happened throughout Italy on the Sunday night are not generally known, but the Fascist Press reported enough incidents to give a fairly complete picture of the Fascists' activities.

At Milan an attempt was made to fire the Headquarters of the Federation of Labour, but firemen extinguished the blaze.

In Naples bands broke into the apartments of Paulus Sforzio, former owner of the "Mattino," whose wife is the famous writer Matilde, and the houses of Labriola (Maximalist Party) and Roberto Bracco (Democratic-Social), famous dramatists. The furnishings were seriously damaged.

At Genoa, in street disturbances, two Fascists were killed and several persons wounded.—Wireless.

Berlin, November 4.—Signor Mussolini returned to Rome on Wednesday night where a spectacular reception was staged. Frantic enthusiasm reigned throughout the Eternal City.

The "Imperio" says: "To-night the rhythm of the Fascist Revolution must quicken. The enemies of Fascism must be completely crushed. For renegades, the vengeance of the Fascists for foreigners, the sword of Rome, Italy has only one head: only one brain: Mussolini. Other heads must be severed ruthlessly."—Wireless.

Rome, November 4.—The service of the Church Santa Maria degli Angeli was performed by the Royal Chaplain.

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A NEW YORK SLUM.

MILLIONAIRE PHILANTHROPIST'S PLAN.

Mr. August Heckscher, capitalist and philanthropist of New York,

has presented to the Mayor (Mr. Walker) a plan for the demolition of New York's Lower East Side, which is the most notorious slum in the world, and for replacing it at a cost of hundreds of millions of dollars.

It is understood that Mr. Heckscher is willing to give 100,000,000 dollars of his private fortune toward the undertaking. He proposes (1) That modern apartment buildings with parks, fountains, and tree-lined avenues, should replace the present congested tenement district; (2) that 500 of New York's wealthiest men should promise contributions of 100,000 dollars each for five years to form the nucleus of the investment necessary; (3) that the State and the City should expend equal amounts in connection with the plan; (4) that the present dwellings be re-housed by the City temporarily while their homes are being re-built; and (5) that the rents in the new district be dependent upon the paying capacity of the tenants.

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WANHSIEN EPIC.

APPEAL FOR THE NAVY LEAGUE'S FUND.

FRENCH FRONTIERS.

Many in Hong Kong should read with interest the following article in the "Peking" and Tientsin Times:

It is not often that Britons in China have an opportunity of showing, in a practical manner, their appreciation of the services rendered to them by the Forces of the Crown. Anyone who has resided in Tientsin during the successive crises of the past few years must

gratefully remember the visits to this port of vessels of His Majesty's Navy, and the services rendered by their officers and men in the protection of the community. And in every part of China where there is a navigable harbour or waterway, and British interests are menaced, the Navy plays its part as effectively as political conditions and the instructions of the Home Government will permit. It does so with tact and goodwill, and occasions are happily few and far between when it becomes necessary to have recourse to force to attain its objects.

Except for occasional retaliation to firing from the river banks, the only occasion on which any British gunboats have been in action in China for some years past was on September 2, when H.M. Ships "Cockchafer" and "Widgeon," accompanied by the chartered steamer "Kiawo" carrying a naval detachment, attempted to effect the release of the British officers illegally detained on the vessels "Wantung" and "Wanhsien." They achieved their object, except in the case of one of the Engineers, who was wounded, and apparently drowned, when swimming to safety.

The Shanghai Branch of the Navy League conceived the appropriate idea of raising a fund for the dependents of the men who lost their lives in succouring their fellow-countrymen. Each of the four Blue-jackets killed left a wife or mother wholly or partly dependent upon him, and though they will be entitled to some pension, it will necessarily be a small one. It is proposed, therefore, that Britons in China should raise a fund, to be entrusted to the Royal Naval Benefit Trust, and to be used to supplement the Government grant to the dependents of the Wanhsien victims.

The Navy League has not a Branch in Tientsin, and several of our readers have inquired whether subscriptions may be sent, or if we should be prepared to forward them. The handling of such funds hardly comes within the routine of newspaper office, but, in order that we appeal to mark, in this way, their appreciation of the gallantry and self-sacrifice of their fellow-countrymen. "This," as the Hon. Secretary of the Navy League at Shanghai puts it, "is more than a charitable appeal. Those of British blood who, realising the significance of recent events in China, and the danger in which our fellow-subjects are placed, will realise that contributing to this fund means a gesture of support to all that is in the best interests of China herself."

The reproach has often been levelled at Britons in China that they make no contribution to the Imperial Exchequer in any way commensurate with the cost of protecting their interests in this country. That, of course, is largely true, though there are technical objections to taxation without any form of representation. On the many occasions, however, on which voluntary contributions have been asked for, worthy causes, Britons throughout the Far East have made a most generous response.

"The Wanhsien Fund" is, we feel sure, one which will make a special appeal. And it is the more worthy of generous support at this juncture because the recent fall in the value of silver will greatly reduce the sterling value of the amount raised by local subscriptions in Shanghai.

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A HARBOUR OFFENCE.

Two cookies were each sentenced to a month's hard labour by the Marine Magistrate (Lie.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N.) at the Marine Court this morning,

SPORTS SECTION

CRICKET HOPES.

Hong Kong Prospects of Future.

OUR NEW OPENING BOWLERS.

Unable to Replace Interport Veterans.

(By W.P.C.)

Although we lost the Interport cricket, to Shanghai we derived a certain amount of information as to our future prospects.

The lessons which seemed to me most outstanding were:—

(a) that we have not an opening pair of batsmen as good and reliable as the Rev. E. K. Quirk and R. E. A. Webster;

(b) that the exclusion of a regular wicket-keeper to provide for an extra batsman (or all-rounder) was only a partial success;

(c) that Bowker and Goodwin will be the opening pair of Interport bowlers in the next few years, but we shall need a slow bowler as well.

On Taking Stock.

A good many will now regret that E. J. R. Mitchell did not play. His stout-heartedness is known to all. That he is irregular is certainly a big disadvantage, but the irregularity is often absent when his side is fighting for runs.

With all deference I strongly recommend Mitchell and A. W. Hayward as the opening Hong Kong pair of batsmen. The latter did not get a great many runs but his capabilities cannot be disputed.

A. W. Ramsay and H. Owen Hughes gave the impression that bar accidents and complete loss of form, they will be permanent fixtures in years to come.

It was hard lines on H. V. Parker to be unable to bowl as he was selected as an all-rounder and he failed in batting.

Weak Batting.

Captain A. G. Dobbie will be called upon as long as he is in the Colony. The other two Army men in Captain E. W. Morris and Major L. J. Lightfoot were not so prominent but will remain in the front rank during their tenure of service in Hong Kong.

In 1924 there was talk of Tarn Pearce and Dick Hancock being too old. As long as they are willing to turn out, Hong Kong will still have to rely on them as nobody has come forward to claim their places.

Bowker lost little, if any, of his reputation. Goodwin did well enough to justify his inclusion and as Reed did not come off, I shall look to the Kowloon man stepping into his shoes, as there is hardly room for both in a weak batting team.

Still Look About.

Unless a really outstanding wicket-keeper is found or Ismail keeps on improving, the position of stumper will have to be left open.

Our showing, we will still have to look about. Names such as those of E. C. Fincher, A. A. Rumjahn and W. Brack ought to be kept in mind and Hong Kongists will be pleased to note that G. R. Sayer will be turning out in a league match to-morrow.

His presence in the Hong Kong team might have made a material difference as we needed a slow bowler. His batting and fielding was missed, too.

Shanghai Personalities.

Shanghai did not have a fast bowler but, collectively, their attack was better than ours. Tribute has already been paid to their brilliance in fielding.

Barrett, Leach and O'Hara were the outstanding personalities. Mansell-Smith ought to have been put higher up the batting list; Barnes was an altogether better wicket-keeper than when he first came down in 1924; Stokes showed promise; and Divecha fulfilled a purpose; and Isaacs also did well enough to warrant another visit.

DAVIS CUP.

AUSTRALIA NOT TO PLAY IN 1927?

Melbourne, Nov. 16.
It is now considered quite unlikely that Australia will challenge for the Davis Cup (lawn tennis) in 1927 (i.e., unlikely to enter the "zone" eliminating competition).

SOCCER GOSSIP.

TO-MORROW'S LEAGUE FIXTURES.

PROSPECTS OF THE CLUBS.

(By "Centre-Half.")

In to-morrow's first soccer league programme the Kowloon XI does not play. Four other games are down for decision.

Recreo v. K.O.S.B.

The Borderers visit King's Park to play the Club de Recreo. Luck has been against the "Kobies" up to the present. The Recreos had a set-back in their game with the Club last week, when they were able to secure only one point. However, they should be able to defeat the Kobies, but only by a very narrow margin.

South China v. "Tamar."

At Soekumpong, South China are opposed to H.M.S. "Tamar," as yet South China have not secured a single point. The "Tamar" played a great winning game against the Police last week, and should ensure secure both points from South China to-morrow.

Police v. Club.

The Hong Kong Football Club and the Police play on St. Joseph's ground. Last Saturday the Club played a great game—easily the best they have done this season. To secure a point from the Recreos was a worthy achievement. If only the Club will continue in that form, the championship may be within their reach. The Police have not done well. They played a poor game against the "Tamar." Their defence is quite good, but their forwards lack finish. As yet, they have not played much together, and with time, should improve. However, I am expecting the Club to secure both points to-morrow.

Athletic v. Artillery.

The most interesting game of the day will be between the Chinese Athletic and Royal Artillery on the Club ground. There is only a point between these teams, but the Artillery have played one more game than the Chinese. The Chinese brought off a great success, last week by defeating Kowloon. They accomplished it by sheer merit.

The Royal Artillery have lost to Kowloon, but on that occasion the Gunners' team was not at full strength. They have defeated the Kobies and the Club. It should be a great game and a draw is likely. But I believe the Chinese will just win.

The Second Division.

Interesting games should be seen in the second division also. Kowloon Reserves play the R.A. Reserves. The latter team is as yet unbeaten, but taking into consideration Kowloon's defeat of Chinese Athletic "A" last week, it seems that the Gunners will be meeting formidable opposition. I think a draw is likely.

The Club Reserves play South China and should certainly win. A good game should be seen between the University and Chinese Athletic "A." The University were badly beaten last week. It should be a close game, with the Chinese just managing to win.

St. Joseph's College should receive both points from Chinese Athletic "B."

Perhaps the keenest game will be between the Recreos Reserves and the Borderers Reserves. The Kobies should, however, win.

In Section "B."

In the section "B" of division II, Chinese Athletic "B" and South China may share the points; St. Joseph's Reserves should defeat the Moslems Club; Chinese Athletic "A" should defeat the South China Boy Scouts and the Bank Portuguese should defeat Kowloon "B".

THE FIXTURES.

Division I.

Kick-off 4.15 p.m.
Club de Recreo v. 2nd Scottish Borders—Recreo.

South China v. "Tamar"—Soekumpong.

Police v. H.K. Football Club—St. Joseph's.

Chinese Athletic—Royal Artillery Club.

Div. II, Section "A".

Kick-off 2.45 p.m.

Kowloon Reserves v. R. A. Reserves—Kowloon.

H.K.C. Reserves v. South China Club.

Chinese Ath. "A" v. University Soekumpong.

St. Joseph's College v. Chinese Ath. "B"—St. Joseph's.

Recr. Reserves v. Borderers Reserves—Recreo.

Div. II, Section "B".

Kick-off 4.15 p.m.

Chinese Ath. "B" v. South China King, Ross and Brown.

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SHANGHAI'S VISIT.

MATCH AGAINST UNITED SERVICES.

FIRST DAY'S PLAY.

The Shanghai Interport cricket team finished up 47 runs on, with 4 wickets to fall, yesterday (on the H.K.C.C. ground). In the two-day match against the Hong Kong Club last night when members of the Hong Kong and Shanghai United Services.

Captain E. I. M. Barrett, the visiting skipper, made 123 after giving two chances in the seventh. He hit 3 sixes and 15 fours. After a quiet opening he went for the bowlers and scored rapidly, being at the wickets for a little over two hours.

In first wicket fell at 18, he was second out at 1.

Dr. O'Hara, who took 11 wickets in the Interport match, was again in bowling form. The other Shanghai bowlers were apt to be more erratic while Captain Dobble was the most successful baulder for the Services. He and Lt.-Col. Cantrell bore the brunt of the attack.

Wickets fell steadily when the Services batted first but the last wicket partnership added 43 runs. The match will be continued to-day. Yesterday's closing scores:

United Services, 1st Innings.

Lt.-Col. Armitage, b Isaacs, b

Pay-Lu Hsiang, c Dr. Morris, b

O'Hara, b

Capt. C. A. Bridgeman, c Dr.

Morris, b Isaacs, b

Capt. E. W. Morris, c & b O'Hara, b

Capt. A. G. Dobbie, b Morris, b

O'Hara, b

Total, 134.

Fall of wickets:—1 for 12, 2 for

34, 3 for 34, 4 for 53, 5 for 84, 6

for 34, 7 for 84, 8 for 86, 9 for 90,

10 for 134.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

0. M. R. W.

Isaacs, 12, 2, 27

Mansell-Smith, 7, 2, 0, 29

W. E. O'Hara, 23, 9, 46, 6

Leach, 18, 7, 23, 1

Divecha, 2, 1, 3, 0

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Mansell-Smith, 7, 2, 0, 29

W. E. O'Hara, 23, 9, 46, 6

Leach, 18, 7, 23, 1

Divecha, 2, 1, 3, 0

Total (for 6 wickets), 181.

P. Madar, Dr. W. E. O'Hara, J. A.

Isaacs, and E. G. Barnes to bat.

Fall of wickets:—1 for 18, 2 for

173, 3 for 174, 4 for 181, 5 for 181,

6 for 181.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

The following will represent the University 1st XI in a league cricket match against the Royal Engineers at Pokfulam to-morrow, beginning at 2 p.m. sharp:—A. A.

Rumjahn (capt.), C. W. Lum, W. M.

Gittins, H. N. Balhatchet, Dr. D. K.

Samy, B. P. Ng, D. Laing, S.

Hachiuma, W. Hong Sling, E.

Zimmerm. S. V. Gittins.

The 2nd XI match with H.M.S.

"C" is postponed.

Capt. Barrett's Reply.

Capt. Barrett in replying on behalf of the Shanghai team, the Chairman said that he thought that cricket had been allowed to become too strategic.

What was wanted to-day was to put cricket back 25 years. He was

sure it was a better game then so far as both onlookers and players were concerned.

Dealing with the need for a keener interest on the part of younger players in the game, the Chairman said that he could not understand what the young fellas out East did with their time after they left their office. There was more satisfaction to be got out of cricket than in becoming proficient in that abortion of a dance called the Charleston when the couples looked as if they had suddenly tramped in a hornets' nest (laughter and applause).

Capt. Barrett's Reply.

Capt. Barrett in replying on behalf of the Shanghai team, expressed thanks for the hearty welcome given to the Shanghai team and the kind hospitality which had been extended to them. He hoped that Mr. Hancock would soon be restored to health and be leading the Hong Kong team again.

Referring to the Interport match, Capt. Barrett expressed the opinion that Shanghai were lucky to win. It was the most interesting and extraordinary match that he had ever played in. Luck first went one way and then the other.

Referring to the great trial of

"nerves" which the exciting nature of the match had proved, the speaker said that he believed even "R. Abbit's" had felt the strain (laughter). He (the speaker) thought he knew something about cricket but he was really at a loss to tell what "Cover Point" understood by a "long hop" or a "half volley."

Four things stood out in the

match. There was "Tarn

Pearce's" first innings, O'Hara's

bowling, the fielding, especially

that of the Shanghai team in

Hong Kong's second innings, and the wonderful batting display of Isaacs at the end. (Applause).

As a parting word of advice to

young cricketers, Capt. Barrett

pleaded that they should not forget the old cricketers, such as

the worthy President, Mr. "Bob" Sutherland and Mr. Scott Harris, who had done much for the game in the past and would continue to run their club in the right way. (Applause).

Mr. Hancock's Tribute.

Mr. Hancock left with an enthusiastic reception on rising to reply for the Hong Kong team. In



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People and Events in the News of the World



This is the latest photo of Jack Dempsey since Gene Tunney defeated him. His left eye isn't all that it used to be.



Lucille Vanderbilt, telephone operator at the New York hospital in which Valentino died, received the Los Angeles call from Pola Negri.



This is the latest portrait of Queen Marie of Romania.



The photographer "caught" this falling wall during a fire that did \$300,000 damage to a soap factory.



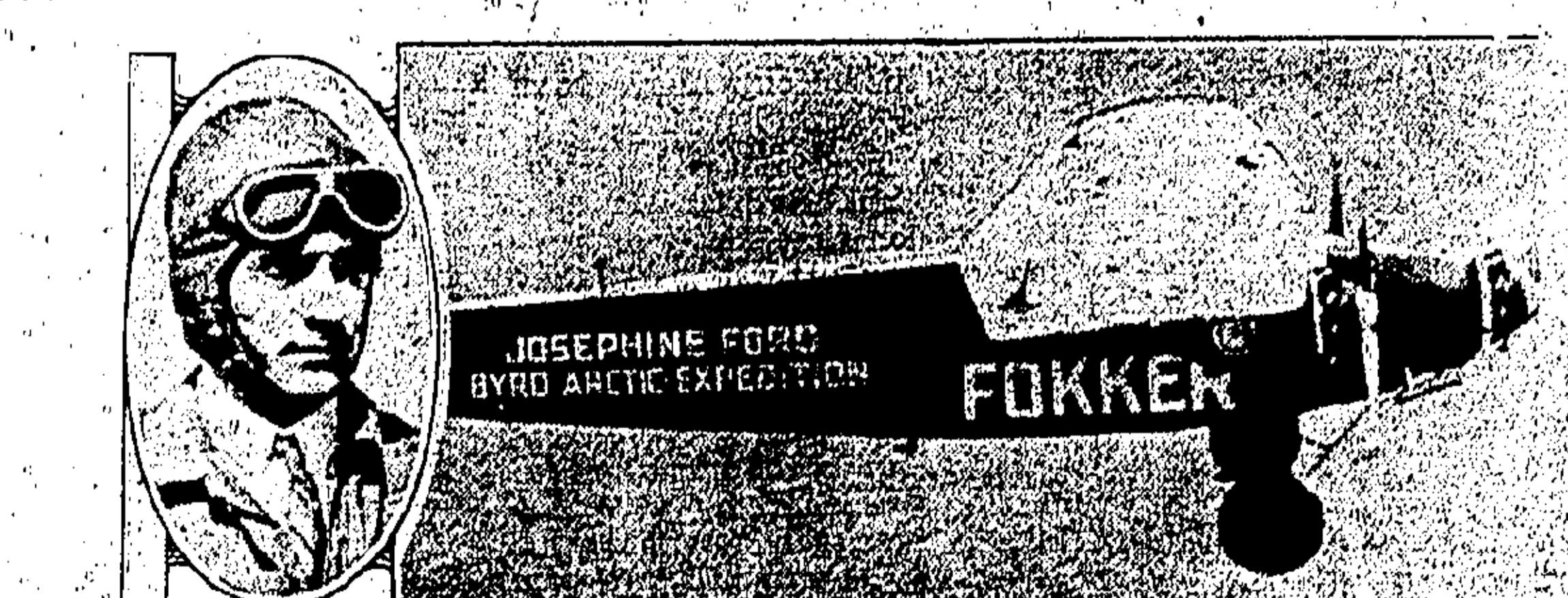
Frank Rippington, (13), of Dayton, has been granted an aeroplane pilot's licence. He's been flying for a year.



This picture, which has just come to light, was taken at a church picnic at which the Rev. Edward Hall met Mrs. Eleanor Mills, victims in the noted New Jersey murder. Others in the photograph have not been identified.

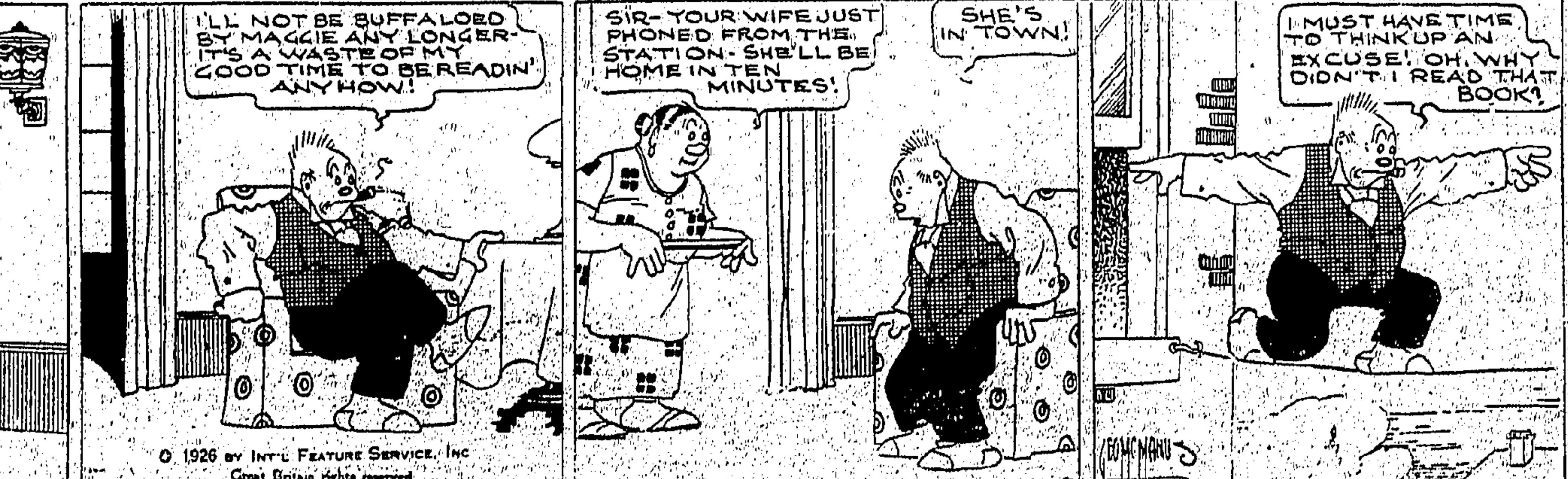


Ralph Hersey, a business man, saw Almee Sumple McPherson at a cottage at Carmel, at the time the evangelist was missing. He testified at her arraignment in Los Angeles. He is shown on the witness stand.



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V.D.A. "AT HOME"

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become a Vice-President of the China Medical Association—an honour which Dr. Woo richly deserved. Dr. Woo took his degree at the London University and joined the staff of the Peking Union Medical School on his return to China. He now has a large practice in Hong Kong.

Dr. Woo who is very interesting and witty and has an easy manner of speaking then said:—

Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen. When the Bishop approached me and asked me to speak at this meeting I at first flatly refused because as a general practitioner it is really very difficult to find the necessary time for the preparation of a speech—however the Bishop's persuasive powers are so great that eventually I gave in. I wish I had the longer experience of Miss George and could give you more reasons for the opportunity for Medical work in China, just before I left London a fellow student of mine asked me "What are you going to do and what opportunities are there in China for a Medical man?" It is no good having men out here who only want to see the country or who want to make money or who are not fully qualified as Doctors. We cannot afford to have such men in China. The men must possess certain qualifications. First of all, in my opinion they must be men with a very high standard of character—that is all important and they must be physically fit, and men who are willing to adopt themselves to the environment and the customs of the people. . .

I think that opportunities in

China are very great though there are many difficulties to contend with. Superstition is one of them, you will find that superstitious people still consider foreign medicine useless and believe that it is made up of babies' eyes boiled up into soup and all sorts of funny things. . .

Even now in certain parts of China if you talk of foreign medicine people will say they will have nothing to do with it and that foreign medicines are very unreliable. Then again as regards operations this country needs much progress as far as surgical care is concerned—people, even rich ones, still fight shy of operations. If an operation is successful it is all right but if not then the Doctor is severely blamed and the friends and relatives probably think he has killed the patient on purpose. These are some of the difficulties that we still meet with every day.

There is rather an amusing incident of a poor woman who was really grateful to her doctor for what he had done. She was advised by him to undergo an operation for tumour and though dithering to do so eventually she gave way. The operation was very successful and the Doctor, who because

the woman seemed to be poor only charged her \$25, was told afterwards that the woman though poor made "her will just before the operation and in case of her death would leave him \$1,000."

"The first thing a Medical man must do is to relieve the suffering of the people. There are difficulties, but we can multiply our opportunities for doing so."

If we only look at this recent war we shall see how great the medical need is. A General under Sun Chuan-fang received a bullet wound, quite an ordinary one, but owing to the lack of proper surgical care and attention, although he was finally sent to Shanghai, he died. There is much needed improvement required in the Army Medical Service. If a General could die in that way, think of the thousands of private soldiers who

die in that way. In the end he thought he had made his listeners understand how many diseases occurred through flies, but to his amazement he heard two Chinese ladies discussing his lecture and one said to the other "of course all these diseases come from the big *mosquito fly* but our poor little Chinese flies cannot do us any harm!"

New Members.

At the conclusion of the meeting more than forty persons gave their names as being desirous of joining the Victoria Diocesan Association, while some fifty gave in their names as desirous of visiting the Diocesan Boys' School on December 2, when the new buildings are to be inspected. If there are others who would like to join the parties arranged will they let the Rev. W. T. Featherstone know and he will forward them particulars.

If you were to see the inside life of some of the homes in China you would see how terrible are the sufferings of the people.

When I was at the Peking Union Medical College we had a little dispensary outside where we helped the poor or anyone who wished for medical aid. We charged them five coppers (about two cents in Hong Kong money) for dressing and caring them. At first they only came in very small numbers but gradually as they gained confidence our name spread and the people came in greater numbers and we were often sent for to visit sick people in their homes. Where the overcrowding and sufferings generally were extreme. Every one will agree that China needs reform and no one can say that there is good sanitation or that the public health is considered in China.

It is curious if we compare just one point, the difference in the mortality rate between China and Britain. Recent statistics show that for every 1,000 people in Britain there are fifteen deaths, in China for every thousand there are thirty deaths, so we have six million unnecessary deaths. Again and again you will hear of epidemics, plagues, small-pox and cholera all due to the lack of proper public health organisations. I am glad to say that at present there is a Committee for the Prevention of Plague up in Harbin.

The YMCA Health Department at the present moment is of great

assistance. There are organisations which are trying to receive some of the Boxer Indemnity Funds to further Medical progress. There are lepers in Kwangtung and some of us are trying to raise funds to help these cases which are not in curable.

In connection with Public Health there should be health lectures all over China and there ought to be health propaganda. We are trying to get more and more men to do work in China. The great difficulty is how to get good men who are willing to accept a small salary and who are willing to study Chinese medicine. Another difficulty the lecturers find is the psychology of the Chinese mind. A Doctor spent an hour lecturing to a Chinese audience on the dangers of the fly and to help his point showed them a picture of a fly enlarged naturally for his purpose. In the end he thought he had made his listeners understand how many diseases occurred through flies, but to his amazement he heard two Chinese ladies discussing his lecture and one said to the other "of course all these diseases come from the big *mosquito fly* but our poor little Chinese flies cannot do us any harm!"

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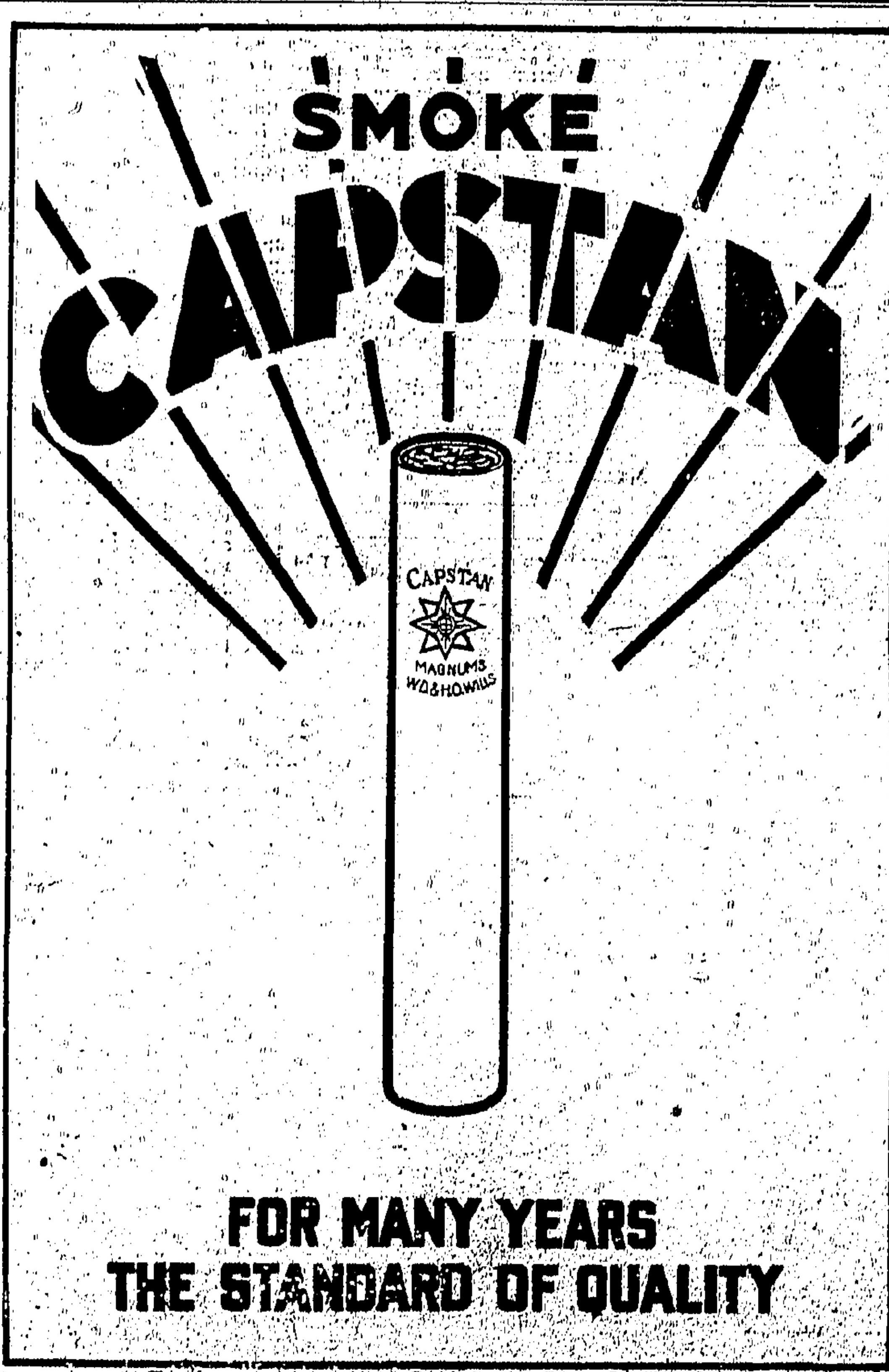
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